

governed by the provisions of said Chapter, and shall be treated and honored by said Boards accordingly, provided said applications do not specifically state that they are applications for a ballot for the Primary Election of May 1, 1944.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That a new section be and the same is hereby added to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Elections", sub-title "Voting by Mail", to follow immediately after Section 305 of said Article and to be known as Section 305A, said new section to read as follows:

305A. Notwithstanding any provisions of Section 305 of Article 33 of of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), as amended by Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1943, and any other election law of the State to the contrary, all Certificates of Candidacy for Nomination for all offices, except the office of President of the United States, to be voted upon at the Primary Election, to be held May 1, 1944, shall be filed with the Secretary of State at least 45 days prior to the date of such Primary, and, immediately upon the receipt thereof, said Secretary shall certify to the Supervisors of Elections of each county within which any of the voters may by law vote for candidates for such office, the name and description of each person who is a candidate for such office, as specified on the Certificates of Candidacy filed with the Secretary of State, and shall certify the same to the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City if any of the voters of said City may by law vote for candidates for such office.

All Certificates of Candidacy for Nomination as Delegates to State Conventions to be held prior to the General Election of November 7, 1944, shall be filed with the appropriate Boards of Supervisors of Elections at least 45 days prior to May 1, 1944.

Ballots for said Primary of May 1, 1944, shall be printed and available for distribution by the several Boards of Supervisors of Elections at least 35 days before the day of said Primary.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 305A and 307, as hereby enacted, shall expire May 31, 1944.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and, being passed upon a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of